

Family Devotional: How to Grow Your Faith?

Theme: Growing Faith Step by Step

Focus Verse: "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ." – Romans 10:17 (ESV)

Other Scriptures: Psalm 119:11, 2 Kings 18:5, 1 Samuel 17:36–37, Philippians 4:6–7, Hebrews 10:24–25, and Matthew 17:20

Devotional Thought:

Faith doesn't show up fully grown—it starts small, like a seed, and grows as we keep trusting God each day. King Hezekiah faced powerful enemies, but instead of panicking, he turned to God in prayer and obedience. David faced lions and bears before ever facing Goliath, and those smaller victories built his faith for the bigger one.

The same is true for us. Every small "yes" to God—whether it's reading a verse, saying a prayer, or showing kindness—nourishes our faith. Just like a seed needs water and sunlight, our faith needs God's Word, prayer, and community to grow strong.

Scripture Focus:

- **2 Kings 18:5 (NIV)** "Hezekiah trusted in the Lord, the God of Israel. There was no one like him among all the kings of Judah, either before him or after him."
- 1 Samuel 17:36–37 (NIV) "Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. The Lord who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine."
- Romans 10:17 (ESV) "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ."
- Matthew 17:20 (NIV) "...Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."



Talk About It:

(Use these questions to guide your family discussion.)

- Hezekiah trusted God when he was surrounded by enemies. What is one thing that feels hard or scary for you right now that you could bring to God in prayer?
- David remembered how God helped him with the lion and the bear. What is one way God has helped you in the past that gives you courage today?
- Why do you think faith needs "nourishment" like reading the Bible, praying, and being with other believers?
- What does it mean that even a mustard-seed-sized faith can move mountains?
- As a family, what small step of faith could you take together this week?

Weekly Challenge: The Invisible Air Experiment

This week, take one small step of faith. As a family, pick something simple—read a verse together before bed, pray before school or work, or encourage someone with kindness. Remember: faith grows little by little when we keep showing up with God.

Memory Verse:

"So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ." - Romans 10:17 (ESV)

Practice saying it together as a family this week.

Family Prayer:

Heavenly Father, thank You for giving us the gift of faith. Help us remember that even the smallest step toward You matters. Teach us to trust You in the little things, just like Hezekiah and David did, so our faith will grow stronger every day. May Your Word, prayer, and the encouragement of others keep our hearts rooted in You. In Jesus' name, Amen.